## In the claims:

The claims presented for examination are reproduced below with appropriate status indication.

1. (Previously presented) A voice application system comprising:

a voice application server for serving voice applications to clients over a data network;

at least one voice portal node having access to the data network, the portal node for facilitation of client interaction with the voice applications; and

a behavioral adaptation engine executable from the application server;

characterized in that the behavioral adaptation engine monitors client responses during voice interaction, analyzes the responses for both conduct patterns and mood states, including caller stress, and determines which of a set of optional dialog responses is to be played to the client as a result of the analysis of the client's response.

- 2. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the data network is the Internet network.
- 3. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the data network is a combination of the Internet and telephony network.
- 4. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the behavioral adaptation engine is part of the application logic of the voice application server.
- 5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one voice portal is an interactive voice response system combined with a telephony server.
- 6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one voice portal is a

computerized node connected to a data network having access to the Internet.

- 7. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the behavioral adaptation engine analyzes audio files recorded at the at least one voice portal and sent to the application server as digital audio files attached to client responses.
- 8. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the behavioral adaptation engine executes upon receipt of a trigger event.
- 9. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the constraints are related to one or a combination of menu navigation behavior or perceived mood state of the client.
- 10. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the dialog responses and linked options are stored in a data store and are accessible to the behavioral adaptation engine.
- 11. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the received client information includes one or a combination of line identification, number identification, client history data, voice imprint results, and recorded voice samples.
- 12. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein voice sampling is used to discern mood.
- 13. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein received client information is used in conjunction with voice analysis to determine a response.
- 14. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the behavioral adaptation engine detects voice inflection variances and volume characteristics of sampled audio to facilitate mood discernment of a client.
- 15. (Original) The system of claim 14 wherein the variances and volume characteristics

of an interaction are collected over multiple interactions with a same application to develop statistics used in gauging enterprise response probability values.

16. (Previously presented) A behavioral adaptation engine comprising:

at least one data input port for receiving XML-based client interaction data including audio files attached to the data;

at least one bi-directional data port for sending data to and receiving data from external data systems and modules;

a logic processing component including an XML reader and voice player and analyzer for processing received data; and

a decision logic component for processing result data against one or more constraints;

characterized in that the behavioral adaptation engine intercepts client data including dialog from client interaction with a served voice application in real time and processes the received data to determine both conduct patterns and mood states and selects one or a set of possible enterprise responses for return to the client during interaction according to any pattern or mood state determined.

- 17. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein the engine is hosted in a voice application server.
- 18. (Original) The engine of claim 17 wherein the server is hosted on the Internet network.
- 19. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein the voice application and deployment system includes at least one voice portal for facilitation of client access to voice applications.
- 20. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein the engine is executed to function upon

receipt of a trigger event.

- 21. (Previously presented) The engine of claim 16 wherein the selection is related to a combination of menu navigation behavior or determined mood state of the client.
- 22. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein data from external data resources is used as additional input data for decision processing.
- 23. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein the received client data includes one or a combination of line identification, number identification, client history data, and voice imprint results.
- 24. (Original) The engine of claim 17 wherein voice sampling is used to discern mood state.
- 25. (Original) The engine of claim 16 wherein the voice analyzer detects voice inflection variances and volume characteristics of sampled audio to facilitate mood discernment of a client.
- 26. (Original) The engine of claim 25 wherein the variances and volume characteristics of an interaction are collected over multiple interactions with a same application to develop statistics used in gauging enterprise response probability values.
- 27. (Previously presented) A method for identifying an appropriate dialog response to data input resulting from a client interaction with a voice application comprising:
  - (a) receiving the data input during run of the voice application;
  - (b) analyzing the input for client conduct and mood state; and
  - (c) selecting an appropriate dialogue based on the analysis in step (b).

- 28. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein the voice application is VXML compliant.
- 29. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein in step (a) the data input includes client identification data, client dialog data, and digital audio sampled from the dialog.

30-33. (Canceled)

34. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein in step (d) the external data includes statistical data resulting from of past interactions with the same dialog of the same application.

35-36. (Canceled)